

MENINGOCOCCAL MENINGITIS

- **Caused by bacteria obtained from infected persons during coughing**
 - Increased risk during Hajj and in African meningitis belt
 - Increased risk during cooler or dry months (winter and spring)
- **Symptoms**
 - Sudden onset of fever, intense headache, nausea, vomiting, stiff neck, and frequently rash
 - Severe symptoms and death possible
- **Countermeasures**
 - **Immunization**
 - Avoid unnecessary exposure to high-risk populations

